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Dear Friend:

I know you must have seen this clipping. It was in all our eastern papers, but I decided to send it to you, just in case. It is written by Dan Burleigh of The Amsterdam News. I don't think it will amount to anything, but in case the sports editors did try to act up, I am sure on the strength of the money we spend with The Courier and Defender from The East West game, they will carry our statistics, if we send them to them. If they do the other national weeklies will have to follow suit.

Well things are shaping up fairly, Wells and Dandridge have signed up, but what salaries. In fact the whole team is really sticking us up, but what can you do? They are taking advantage of the manpower shortage which you can't altogether blame them. I guess that is human nature. But we are really going to have to keep busy. I have asked Saperstein to book us from June 5th to 16th. I don't know how Posey will like that. Speaking of Posey Cum and Gottlieb are as thick as two peas in one pod. I don't know what they are up to but you can bet it is not so good for the baseball. Posey gave Gottlieb his opening night game in Washington, and Gottlieb is sending out the invitations to Posey's dinner to the press in Washington March 30th. Just keep your fingers crossed, and eyes open.

Pompez told me he was trying to arrange some games with you the week of April 30th. If they do not materialize let me know as I can pick him up on his way north and play him that week.

Please let me know if you have any suggestions to offer me, and if we can help each other out anytime. I have gotten some dates in Brooklyn. I do hope it will be a good spot. I think it should. I hope things are shaping up well for you. I will let you know how the team looks in camp.

Very Truly Yours